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Death and disability benefits

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The information contained in the annex to the present note is submitted pursuant to paragraphs 16 and 17 of General Assembly resolution 51/239 A of 17 June 1997, in which the Assembly noted that as at 19 May 1997 a backlog of 564 death and disability claims awaited processing and requested the Secretary-General to submit to the Assembly quarterly written reports on the progress made in clearing the backlog.

2. In this connection, it should also be recalled that in the same resolution the General Assembly provided general temporary assistance resources funded from the support account in the amount of $158,500 for the 12-month period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 for the sole purpose of processing the backlog of claims referred to in paragraph 1 above.

3. The first quarterly report, dated 28 October 1997 (A/52/538), presented information relating to death and disability incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997, indicating the total number of claims from the backlog that had been received since 19 May 1997 as well as the number of claims processed as at 30 September 1997. The second quarterly report provided updated information as at 31 December 1997 (A/C.5/52/37).

4. The present document constitutes the third quarterly report. The information presented in the attached annex indicates the total number of claims received from troop-contributing countries as at 31 March 1998, identifying the number of claims received since 19 May 1997. This information is presented by country (table A) and by peacekeeping operation (table B). A comparison of the total number of incidents of death and disability reported by peacekeeping operations as at 31 March 1998 and the related number of claims submitted to the Secretariat is presented in table C.

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Annex

A. Death and disability claims backlog report for incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997 as at 31 March 1998 (by country)

Country	*Claims received prior to 19 May 1997*	*Claims received after 19 May 1997*	*Claims processed from 19 May 1997 to 31 March 1998*	*Total claims awaiting processing*
Argentina	9	2	11	–
Austria	35	–	–	35
Bangladesh	27	–	–	27
Belgium	–	40	40	–
Brazil	–	1	1	–
Bulgaria	41	–	41	–
Canada	12	1	13	–
Czech Republic	7	–	7	–
Denmark	–	7	7	–
Egypt	42	5	47	–
Fiji	26	–	26	–
Finland	1	–	–	1
France	107	188	295	–
Germany	3	–	2	1
Indonesia	8	–	1	7
Ireland	37	23	60	–
Italy	56	13	66	3
Jordan	3	53	56	–
Malaysia	–	1	1	–
Nepal	–	5	5	–
Netherlands	–	2	2	–
Pakistan	1	6	7	–
Poland	64	63	127	–
Russian Federation	11	–	1	10
Senegal	1	1	2	–
Slovakia	6	–	6	–
Spain	10	–	10	–
Thailand	2	–	–	2
Tunisia	2	–	–	2
Turkey	3	–	3	–

Country	*Claims received prior to 19 May 1997*	*Claims received after 19 May 1997*	*Claims processed from 19 May 1997 to 31 March 1998*	*Total claims awaiting processing*
Ukraine	9	12	21	–
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	23	–	23	–
Uruguay	2	–	–	2
Zimbabwe	16	–	16	–
Total	**564**	**423**	**897**	**90**

B. Death and disability claims backlog report for incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997 as at 31 March 1998 (by peacekeeping operation)

Mission	*Claims received prior to 19 May 1997*	*Claims received after 19 May 1997*	*Claims processed from 19 May 1997 to 31 March 1998*	*Total claims awaiting processing*
United Nations Operation in Mozambique	4	–	–	4
United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda	3	11	12	2
United Nations Angola Verification Mission	–	1	1	–
United Nations Disengagement Observer Force	30	18	19	29
United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus	9	–	1	8
United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon	140	95	216	19
United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission	2	2	2	2
United Nations Mission in Haiti	2	1	1	2
United Nations Operation in Somalia	104	31	127	8
United Nations Protection Force	178	248	422	4
United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia	89	16	93	12
United Nations Transition Assistance Group	3	–	3	–
Total	**564**	**423**	**897**	**90**

C. Total number of death and disability incidents reported and claims submitted for incidents occurring up to and including 30 June 1997 as at 31 March 1998 (by peacekeeping operation)

	Death		*Disability*		*Total*	
Mission	*Incidents reported*	*Claims*	*Incidents reported*	*Claims*	*Incidents reported*	*Claims*
United Nations Operation in Mozambique	21	10	51	2	72	12
United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara	3	–	5	–	8	–
United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda	22	15	43	2	65	17
United Nations Angola Verification Mission	31	1	50	–	81	1
United Nations Disengagement Observer Force	38	3	415	98	453	101
United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus	162	3	87	13	249	16
United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon	214	52	982	275	1 196	327
United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission	7	4	27	–	34	4
United Nations Mission in Haiti	5	4	14	3	19	7
United Nations Operation in Somalia	151	96	423	185	574	281
United Nations Protection Force	232	124	1 500	340	1 732	464
United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia	41	36	37	101	78	137
United Nations Transition Assistance Group	11	3	30	–	41	3
Total	**938**	**351**	**3 664**	**1 019**	**4 602**	**1 370**